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Mr. President,

The Dubrovnik Action Plan calls on all States Parties to promote compliance with and reinforce the norms being established by the Convention. At the Review Conference last year, we celebrated the achievements of the Convention, including the widespread stigmatization of cluster munitions and the growing strength of the norm against their use. Since then, we have reached 100 States Parties, another key milestone in our universalization efforts.

However, we still see continued use of cluster munitions (including most recently in Syria and Yemen). We are deeply concerned about such use and call on all parties to these conflicts to immediately cease using cluster munitions and to take measures to protect civilians from the threat that they pose.

Universalization is not just about the number of states parties, it is also about upholding the norms of the Convention. We must work actively to dissuade potential users from employing cluster munitions and speak out against such use when it occurs. Norway condemns any use of cluster munitions by any actor.

At a time when humanitarian principles and norms are gravely disrespected and under pressure in several contexts, it is of the

utmost importance to defend and maintain what we have achieved through this Convention.

Thank you.